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In re application of: Michael H. Spritzer, et al.

Serial No: 09/841,058

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For: PROCESS FOR HYDROTHERMAL
TREATMENT OF MATERIALS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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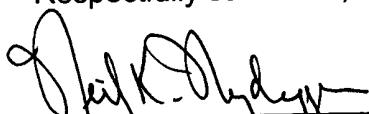
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Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.

DATED this 18th day of August, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2003 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 22, 2003, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows: